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Road markings throughout the City have taken a beating over the last three years with the unprecedented number of ice and winter storms. Lane lines, center lines, arrows and crosswalks, particularly those on concrete pavements, are often damaged during ice and snow removal operations. In an effort to upgrade these markings in a timely manner, the City applied and was successful in securing federal funds to supplement local funds available for maintenance and upkeep of pavement markings.

Application of pavement markings as part of this federally funded project began on July 11, 2011. The \$301,543 project will provide new markings on the following roadway segments:

- Tecumseh Road, between 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW and I-35
- 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW, between Robinson Street to Tecumseh Road
- Robinson Street, between 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW to I-35
- Main Street, between 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW and 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW
- 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, between State Highway 9 and Lindsey Street
- McGee Drive, between State Highway 9 and Boyd Street (including new bike lanes)
- Boyd Street, between 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW and McGee Drive
- Berry Road, between Imhoff Road and Robinson Street
- Rock Creek Road, between Flood Avenue and Porter Avenue
- Boyd Street, between Jenkins Avenue and Oklahoma Avenue
- Boyd Street, between Oklahoma Avenue and 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE
- Lindsey Street, between 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE and Oakhurst Avenue
- Oakhurst Avenue, between and Lindsey Street (including new bike lanes)
- Constitution Street, between Jenkins Avenue and Ryan Avenue

- Jenkins Avenue, between State Highway 9 and Constitution Street

Action Safety and Supply Company of Oklahoma City is the contractor working on this project. There are multiple crews working in the City addressing several locations at the same time. The work is done under traffic and involves grinding of the road surface to remove what is left of the existing markings, sweeping of the road surface and application of the new markings. The contractor is also responsible for the removal of the grounded pavement marking material which is not harmful to the environment. The material is swept, collected and removed from the job site at the end of each work day.

This is the City's first-ever 100% federally funded transportation project for pavement markings. Staff hopes that this can become an annual program, which will have a very positive impact on the City's General Fund. All work is expected to be completed by the end of August 2011.

City staff appreciates the patience of the driving public regarding any temporary traffic congestion created by this pavement marking operation. The dust and debris generated from the pavement marking removal process is neither toxic or hazardous to the general public. The pavement markings must be dry before traffic is restored. However, if any citizen experiences paint spill or overspray on their vehicle, please contact the Department of Public Works at the City of Norman.

If there are any further questions or additional information needed, please contact the City Department of Public Works at (405)366-5453.

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